

Of Interest to Every Woman

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A Line of Cheer
Each Day of the Year

JAMES HARRIS
A PLEASANT IDEA

The skies are marvellous to see;
The hills are full of mystery;
The sun's a wonder to the sight,
And so are all the stars of night.
The solar system is sublime,
And so's the endlessness of Time;
There's miracles on every hand,
In heaven, sea and on the land,
And, counting the kind of pelt,
I'm some phenomenon myself!

Feb. 27

MENU

Breakfast.	Hominy
Steamed Dates	White and Gold Omelette
Muffins	Coffee
Luncheon.	
Lamb Chops	Rice Croquettes
Fruit	Vanilla Sauce
Tea	Cookies
Dinner.	
Mutton Roast with Rice	Tomato Sauce
Meat Loaf	Hashed Browned Potatoes
Beets	Cottage Pudding
Coffee	

White and Gold Omelette.
Separate the whites and yolks into separate bowls and add to the beaten yolks a tablespoonful of water to each yolk; season with salt and white pepper. Beat until smooth. Now whip the whites very stiff. Butter an iron pan thoroughly, add as well as the yolks, and lightly cut the whites into the prepared yolks and pour carefully into the hot pan. Keep an even heat, and lift from time to time to see how it is browning. When light brown on the bottom the omelette should be well puffed up, then stand in the oven to dry. Cut, fold in half, and transfer to a hot platter. Garnish with cream or parsley.

The Great Trials of History
TRIAL OF THE TICHBORNE CLAIMANT

One of the most remarkable trials of recent years was that of Arthur Orton, who claimed to be the long lost Roger Tichborne, and heir to the Tichborne title and estate. This was one of the most interesting cases of all history, and lasted over a number of years and involved a great many persons.

When Sir Edward Tichborne, the ninth baron of that name, died, he left an estate that netted about \$100,000 a year. He had no son, and his nephew James Tichborne was his heir. James had two sons, Roger and Alfred. Roger, naturally, being the elder, would have been the heir of James, but when the father died all trace of him had been lost. He had started for New York by sea, but the fate of his ship was never known. He was officially declared dead, and the Tichborne fortune fell to the younger brother, Alfred.

All this happened in 1852. The mother never gave up hope of finding her firstborn, and in 1866 she offered a reward for any information that would be forthcoming regarding Roger. In response to this offer, an Australian detective agency produced a man, known as Thomas Castro, whose real name was Orton, and announced he was the missing heir.

Orton left Australia for England, where he gathered all the information he could regarding Roger's early life, and then proceeded to Paris, where Lady Tichborne was living, and he was able to convince her that the man he presented to her was her son. The mother claimed to recognize him, and officers of his old regiment were sure it was Roger Tichborne. He was able to answer all questions, and in 1871—Lady Tichborne having died three years

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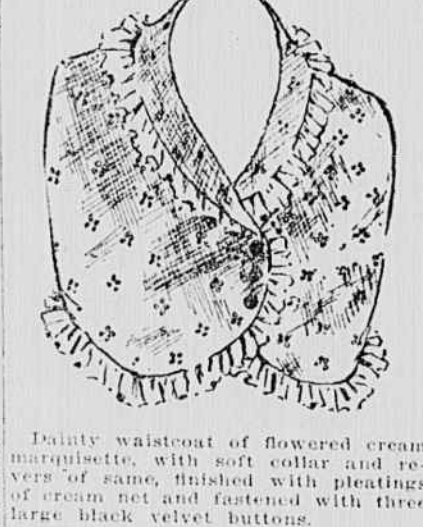
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and trial dragged on for 188 days, the longest trial ever held in England, and huge sums of money were subscribed by the indignant British populace to help the accused man.

This second suit was begun in 1873 before Chief Justice Cockburn. The defendant showed his old qualities of impudence and endurance, but the indiscretion of his counsel, Edward Kennedy, the testimony of his former sweetheart and Kennedy's refusal to put the Orton sisters in the box proved conclusively to the jury, who, after a half hour's deliberation, found that the claimant was Arthur Orton.

Orton was found guilty of perjury on two counts and was sentenced on the 25th of February, 1874, to fourteen years' penal servitude. The cost of the two trials was estimated at something not far short of \$1,000,000, and of this the Tichborne estate was mulcted of fully \$450,000.

The claimant's better, class supporters had asserted him before the second trial, but the people who had subscribed for his defense were convinced that he was a persecuted man. There were suspicions of a riot in London in April, 1875, when Parliament unanimously rejected a motion by Kennedy for referring the Tichborne case to a royal commission, and the military had to be held in readiness. But the agitation subsided, and when Orton emerged from jail in 1884 the sickle public took no interest in him. Orton came to America on a lecturing tour, and resided for a time in New York City. He finally returned to England, where he sank into poverty and oblivion, dying in obscure lodgings in Marylebone on the 24 of April, 1898.



Gown of brown taffeta, cream lace and skunk.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S TOILET SECRETS

There are two points on which American women are usually misinformed about Englishwomen. The first is that we possess no sense of humor, and the second is that the face of the Dowager Queen Alexandra is enameled.

Last week I prepared to meet one of your famous American authoresses by reading every American magazine and newspaper I could get hold of. I flatter myself there was not a current topic of interest to Americans that I could not have discussed with fair credit. Waiting for this writer of intellectual fame to give the cue, we were soon on the topic she introduced—and clung to during our entire chat. This was the secret of the Dowager Queen Alexandra's toilet, and chief among the erroneous rumors she believed was that this royal lady's face is enameled.

The secrets of the marvelously youthful beauty of the Queen Dowager's complexion lies in an exceedingly delicate and dangerous surgical operation she underwent over a dozen years ago. For the successful removal of her facial epidermis there were called in several of the ablest surgeons of Europe. Following this operation there has been absolutely necessary a daily face massage of the finest olive oil. Thus far Queen Alexandra's beauty has defied time and shows neither crow's feet nor wrinkles; but only its royal possessor and the Honorable Charlotte Knollys—the keeper of this royal complexion—know how much care must be exercised in keeping it perennially youthful.

Queen Alexandra has several peculiarities that are not generally known. She possesses over fifty wigs and wears at least three a day, putting on a fresh wig for every function she goes to. This collection of wigs is all ways kept freshly curled, combed and dusted. The finishing touches given each wig is a light passing over it of a velvet pad heavily saturated with any of the royally-preferred perfumes. Her Highness's hair is cut quite short.

But there is one detail of the Dowager Queen's toilet that I venture to say is rather individual, for she provides sachets for all her shoes that are not in use. In "their hours of ease" she would have her footwear rather sweetened to give it forth at every subsequent footfall.

No, it is not fear of cracking the enamel, as the curious rumor has it, that keeps Queen Alexandra from indulging freely in the charming smiles that made her adored everywhere as Princess of Wales. Having reached an age when nature ceases to eradicate the traces of the lines smiling and weeping cause—but which in youth leaves no impress upon the elastic flesh—she is wisely accepting the recompose time brings in quieting the emotional characteristics that compel facial contortions. Few Queens in history have outlived her in popularity, and none have outshone her as a beauty. In recent years, through her deafness and irritability, shown in snubbing Queen Mary, and toward some of her attendants, she has suffered some loss of popularity; but her complexion is still a subject of interest to womankind the world over, as the authoress from America proved to me—Miriam.

Chocolate Cake.
Cream one cup of butter and two cups of sugar together. Add the yolks of five eggs and the whites of three, well beaten; one scant cup of milk and four level teaspoons of baking powder sifted with three cups of flour. Bake in two shallow pans.

Steamed Bread.
Mix one and one-quarter cups of cornmeal, one cup of wheat meal or graham and three-quarters cup of rye flour, one level teaspoon of soda and one-half level teaspoon of salt. Sift twice, then stir in two-thirds cup of molasses and two cups of sour milk. Beat and pour into a buttered mold and steam four hours.

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FIRST AID FOR HOUSEHOLD FRIENDS

Now and again the domestic pets are ill, and, often enough, a homely remedy will save a deal of trouble. Of course, where the complaint is thought to be serious no time should be lost in summoning a "vet," but in nine cases out of ten this will not be needed. Often enough dogs and cats appear to be out of form, their coats are ruffled, and their noses are hot and dry.

This state of affairs can generally be set right by a dose of castor oil, but, unlike human beings, animals very much disapprove of taking medicine.

Capsules Desirable.
On the whole, the best way to give the dog his dose is in the form of capsules. In a quiet way open his mouth and then slip one or two capsules in, at once closing the jaws gently but firmly. If the mouth is kept closed the dog will, sooner or later, swallow the capsules.

Other medicines which may not be very strong tasting may be mixed up with some favorite food. An excellent way of giving powders to dogs is to mix the medicine with a lump of butter and make the whole thing into a ball. Very few dogs will refuse this.

Liquid medicines which are not very nasty may be dropped into milk.

For Mrs. Tabby.
It really requires two people to give the cat her medicine. One person should gently take the animal in his arms, and enclose the body and legs in a duster. Hold firmly with one hand, and then, with the other, force open the jaws; meanwhile the other person pours in the dose from a spoon.

It is always a good plan to wear gloves when handling cats, as even the tamest of these creatures may suddenly become fractious and scratch and bite.

One should always bear a few points in mind when giving medicine to animals. Keep the bottles, etc., well out of sight until the last moment. Have everything ready so that when the time comes there may be no delay in administering the dose. Behave in an ordinary manner to the creature, calling it by some pet name. Finally, never use force of any sort, save as a last resort. Remember it is extremely difficult to do anything with a thoroughly frightened animal.

Green Legs.
In the case of any serious accidents to animals, such as the breakage of a bone, professional aid is essential. It is advisable in many instances to take some steps, as it is often difficult to get a "vet" at once.

Thus where a dog breaks or sprains his leg, even the roughest kind of splint may save further damage. The leg is, of course, laid on the strip of wood, and by the use of a long bandage, the limb is held in position until it can be properly set. This will often prevent a dog from having a crooked leg for the rest of his life.

As a rule, the best person to attend to the sick animal is its master or mistress. This is sometimes rather a painful matter, as it may be necessary to hurt the creature in order to cure it. It may be better later on. Still, most animals are wonderfully patient when they are being handled in the right way by their own people.

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PUBLIC THRASHING OF PRIME MINISTER

Incident Recalled by Engagement of American Girl to Name-sake of Premier.

BY LA MARQUISE DE FONTENAY.
THE public thrashing of a Prime Minister is recalled by the announcement of the engagement of Miss Louise Conditt-Smith, daughter of the late George Conditt-Smith, of Chicago, and a niece of Mrs. Leonard Wood, of Washington, D. C., to Ludwig Hassenpflug, son of the proprietor of the Marburg University in Prussia.

Miss Conditt-Smith's fiancé is the grandson and namesake of the Premier in question, who was the head of the Cabinet of Bismarck, and the son of the late George Conditt-Smith, of Chicago, and a niece of Mrs. Leonard Wood, of Washington, D. C., to Ludwig Hassenpflug, son of the proprietor of the Marburg University in Prussia.

The elector absolutely declined to wed any woman of his own rank, but insisted on marrying, morganatically, a woman named Gertrude Falkenstein, daughter of a petty dealer, and who was divorced from a Prussian Lancer officer, the name of Lehmann, in order to enable her to become the left-handed consort of the Hessian ruler. So warmly did the latter appreciate the compliance that he actually ennobled Captain Lehmann's children, conferring upon them, along with the title of prince, the name of Hassenpflug, but at that time extinct family of Von Scholey.

Of course, the elector's ministers and advisers were most anxious that he should not saddle his magnificent nation to the ex-Madame Lehmann, whom he had created Princess of Hanau, and should wed a woman of his own rank, who would enable him to perpetuate his dynasty, since his morganatic children were, of course, barred from the succession to his throne. Most pressing in urging this advice upon the elector was his Premier, Hassenpflug, who cordially disliked Princess Hanau, who resented the fact that her presence at the court of Cassel caused it to be boycotted by all other sovereigns and their families.

Count Ferdinand, who had married the eldest of the morganatic daughters of the elector and of Princess Hanau, was his Premier's brother-in-law, and he, too, was a member of the elector's family. When shortly afterwards he met Premier Hassenpflug walking in the principal street at Cassel, he first of all gave him a piece of bread, and then proceeded to administer to him a most terrible thrashing, breaking his stick in several places on the statesman's head and shoulders before he flung him into the mud.

The elector, on hearing what had taken place, wrote a letter to his Prime Minister, directing him to bring legal proceedings against Count Ferdinand Hassenpflug. But the count escaped being called to account by withdrawing for a time to his estates in Baden. During his absence the Premier, himself compelled by the manifest lack of sympathy on the part of his sovereign and by the loss of prestige, as well as by the humbling of his position upon his castigation, to resign his office, and to retire into private life, transferring his residence to Berlin.

When the count returned to Cassel, some weeks later, he was met with open arms by his mother-in-law, Princess Hanau, as well as by the elector, who, without any further loss of time, proclaimed him his project of transforming him into a prince. The Premier of Cassel, too, was delighted with the affair. For Hassenpflug had been an object of so much public animosity, owing to his despotic ways, that, far from receiving any sympathy, his thrashing and retirement were hailed with satisfaction, the Hessians losing sight of the fact that the statesman, being over sixty years of age, had very little chance in a hand-to-hand encounter with so burly and stalwart a young man as his assailant.

It is not only a case on record that I can recall of a Premier having been personally chastised by a member of his sovereign's family.

Hassenpflug may be said to have had dynastic reasons for his conduct. For less than two years afterwards the war of 1866 broke out, and the elector, having sided with Austria against Prussia, had his dominions annexed by the latter. Arrested by the German envoy, at his court, he was held a prisoner of war until the end of the campaign, and then sent into exile, bringing his life to an embittered close at Prague. If he had kept Hassenpflug as Premier he would certainly not have thrown in his lot with Austria, and would, consequently, have been permitted to retain possession of his crown.

I may add that the Prussian envoy at Cassel, in those days, was old General Baron Henry von Roeder, father of the present grand master of the cere-

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